

FIFTH CONVENTION

The membership in Worcester, Massachusetts hosted the fifth convention — August 20-23, 1919. Delegates attending — 47. National membership totaled 2,380. Assets were \$6,499.42.

In answer to an appeal for at least \$5,000.00 for women's needs from the Catholic Women's Organization in Lithuania, Mrs. A. (Jakaitis) Satkus and Miss B. Vaškevičius were appointed to elicit the aid of "Tautos Fondas". Their mission was successful and "Tautos Fondas" promised to send the money to Lithuania.

The convention delegates also donated \$18.00 to Lithuanian students.

Supreme officers: Spiritual Director — Rev. M. Urbonas; pres. — Mrs. V. Liutkus; vice-pres. — Mrs. A. Jankus; secr. — Miss A. Kašetaitis; treas. — Miss M. Brenza; delegates to "Tautos Taryba" — Mrs. A. Nausėda and Mrs. B. Zitkus.

Named honorary members: Mrs. A. Nausėda and Miss A. Sutkaičius. Receiving honorary rings: Mrs. A. Jankus, Mrs. B. Zitkus and Mrs. A. (Jakaitis) Satkus.

SIXTH CONVENTION

The sixth convention met at Waterbury, Conn., August 31 - September 1, 1920. Delegates — 42. Total membership — 2,443.

The Home Office announced that the death benefit fund was overdrawn by \$508.00. Miss J. Šefeltas of Chester, Pa., promised to raise the money, and if short of the amount, to personally make it good.

Due to the financial deficit it was voted to print the "Motery Dirva" on cheaper paper minus the cover.

Supreme officers: Spiritual Director — Rev. M. Urbonas; pres. — Miss A. Samsonaitis; vice-pres. — Miss M. Sakalauskas; secr. — Mrs. M. Vaičiūnas; treas. — Miss M. Brenza; trustees — Miss A. Kašetaitis and Mrs. B. Zitkus.

Named honorary members: Miss Mary Brenza and Miss A. Kašetaitis.

SEVENTH CONVENTION

This convention convened at Cleveland, Ohio — September 12-13, 1921. Delegates — 20. Number of chapters — 56. The total membership had dropped to 1,844. Assets — \$10,016.91.

The delegates donated \$165.08 to help rebuild a burned-out building of the Lith. Women's Org. at Karmelava, Lithuania.

Mrs. A. Jankus, Mrs. A. Nausėda and Miss V. Matukaitis were named as trustees of the newly formed "Motery Dirvos" Collaborators Fund.

It was suggested that women become citizens of these United States; that they observe the prohibition law; that they aid the Total Abstainers in their work etc.

Supreme officers: Spiritual Director — Rev. M. Urbonas; pres. — Miss M. Jokubaitis; vice-pres. — Miss B. Vaškevičius; secr. — Mrs. M. Vaičiūnas; treas. — Miss M. Brenza; trustees — Miss M. Gurinskas, Miss A. Sautelis.

State Directors: Mass. — Mrs. A. Jankus; Md. — Miss V. Matukaičiūs; New York — Miss V. Abraitis; Pa. — Mrs. M. Tumašonis; Ohio — Mrs. B. Zitkus.

Delegates to "Tautos Taryba": Mrs. A. Nausėda, Miss B. Vaškevičius and Mrs. A. Jankus.

Honorary members: Anna Jankus and Mary Vaičiūnas.

EIGHTH CONVENTION

Taking part in the eighth convention at Grand Rapids, Michigan, September 10-12, 1922, were 24 delegates. The membership was 1,939, assets were \$11,832.10.

This convention voted a number of amendments to the constitution; initiated membership drives; continued its study of the establishment of a sick benefit section; expressed its gratitude to Miss U. Matuzaitis for her untiring efforts in the interest of the Alliance; and, urged participation in the building drive of the Sisters of St. Casimir — (\$31.50 was donated at this time by the delegates). Mrs. B. Zitkus was appointed as delegate to the Catholic Women's Organization in Lithuania.

Supreme officers: Spiritual Director — Rev. M. Urbonas; pres. — Miss M. Jokubaitis; vice-pres. — Miss B. Vaškevičius; secr. — Mrs. M. Vaičiūnas; treas. Miss M. Brenza; trustees — Mrs. M. Kizlaitis and Miss B. Daumantas.

Directors: New England — Mrs. A. Jankus; New York — Mrs. S. Subatas; Pa. — Mrs. F. Schevets; Michigan — Miss A. Banžaitis; Ohio — Mrs. P. Staupas.

Delegates to "Tautos Taryba": Mrs. A. Nausėda and Miss B. Vaškevičius.

NINTH CONVENTION

Brooklyn, New York, was the site of the ninth convention, held during the days of 27-28 in August of 1923. Delegates — 44.

Total membership in all chapters — 1,839. Assets — \$16,309.35.

Among other business, this convention voted to conduct a six month membership drive and to give three prizes; approved the establishment of a life insurance policy; requested chapters to notify the national officers of their intentions regarding prospective honorary members.

Supreme officers: Spiritual Director — Rev. M. Urbonas; pres. — Miss M. Jokubaitis; vice-pres. Mrs. V. Petrukaitis; secr. — Mrs. M. Vaičiūnas; treas. — Miss M. Brenza; trustees — Mrs. A. Kizlaitis and Miss A. Nevulis. Directors: New York and New Jersey — Mrs. S. Subatas; Pennsylvania — Mrs. F. Schevets; Mass. and Maine — Mrs. A. Jankus; Michigan — Mrs. A. Kizlaitis; Ohio — Mrs. M. Jankauskas.

Delegates to "Tautos Taryba": Mrs. A. Nausėda and Miss B. Vaškevičius.

Named honorary members: Rev. M. Urbonas and Miss Mary Jokubaitis.

In 1923, "Moterų Dirva" Editor, Antanina Nausėda, resigned her position and Mrs. Sophia Sakalas became the new Editor.